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Paper - II



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ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS ON THIS PAPER ITSELF.

Test 9

Read the text and **underline** the most suitable word given within brackets.

There are many different kinds of birds that come to bird feeders. In our yard, we have feeders by the windows (1) ((a) so (b) saw (c) sew) we can watch them. We (2) ((a) by (b) bye (c) buy) different seeds to attract different birds. Cardinals are our favorite birds. We see them many times per hour. They're completely red with black faces. (3) ((a) There (b) Their (c) They're) bills are thick (4) ((a) fore (b) four (c) for) cracking seeds. Our seeds attract other birds to our feeders like woodpeckers and sparrows, too. We see these (5) ((a) to (b) two (c) too) types of birds often.

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Test 10

Read the dialogue given below and fill in the blanks with the correct form of the verb given within brackets.

Don and Kajan have come to the airport to meet their friends, Mathu and Kirus, who are returning from a holiday. The plane has just arrived.

Kajan: Oh, Don, isn't it exciting!

Don: Yes, it is. Can you see Mathu and Kirus?

Kajan: No, not yet.

Don: Look, Kajan, the stairs (1) (push) towards the plane!

Kajan: Yes, they're being put near the door of the plane. Oh, now the door (2)..... (open). Oh, why is another door being opened?

Don: The passengers' luggage (3) (take) out of that door.

Kajan: I see. Oh, now the passengers (4) (allow) to come out of the plane! But I haven't seen Mathu and Kirus yet.

Don: Never mind. Perhaps they've been sitting at the back of the plane.

Kajan: Look behind you, Don! What a lot of people are waving handkerchiefs! They're recognising their friends.

Don: My handkerchief is ready. I'll wave it as soon as I see Mathu and Kirus.

Kajan: Oh bother! Mine is in my bag. Don, there's Mathu.

Don: And there's Kirus!

Kajan: They haven't seen us yet.

Don: I suppose our handkerchiefs (5) (see) among all these other ones.

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Test 11

Fill in the blanks with the words given in the box. There is **one** extra word.

rest, when, hatched, member, span, after, during, with, unlike, over, laid, together, into, male, collect
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The honey bee is a very unusual kind of insect. (1) other insects which live alone, the honey bee lives as a (2) of a community. These bees live (3) in what is known as a bee colony.

The head of the colony is called the queen bee. She is larger than the (4) of the bees. Her main task in the colony is to lay eggs. Most of the other bees are the worker bees. These bees (5) nectar and pollen from flowers. The nectar that is carried by the worker bees is deposited on the hive and then converted (6) honey. The worker bees also help look (7) the young bees. As soon as the eggs are (8), the worker bees feed the young bees (9) pollen and nectar. The third type of bee found in the colony is the drone or (10) bee. The main task of such a bee is to mate with a new queen.

The queen bee has a life (11) of about three years. (12) this period, she would have (13) more than half a million eggs. (14) the queen bee is dying, a new queen would be groomed. This new queen would eventually take over the 'duties' of the old queen when the latter dies.

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Test 12

Janet received the following e-mail from her friend Sharon. Fill in the blanks using the most appropriate form of the verb given within brackets.

Dear Janet,

I have just read your email. Next month I (1) (move) to the new flat and I (2) (already/buy) the furniture. I can't wait!

Let me tell you more about the flat: there are two big rooms, a kitchenette and a small bathroom. Last weekend I got a very nice lamp for the living room, but unfortunately I broke it when I was cleaning the flat. How clumsy of me! Luckily it (3) (not cost) much, I will probably buy another one next Saturday.

I have to go now, it (4) (be) nice to hear from you. Please get in touch again soon. Of course you must come to the housewarming party: I will tell you the right day and time in a couple of weeks.

Looking forward to (5) (see) you!

Sharon.

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Test 13

Read the following paragraphs. Select the most suitable caption for each paragraph and write the letter of the caption in the box given against the paragraph. There is one *extra* caption.

Captions

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| A - Extinction of monstrous creatures | D - Incredible creatures of Pleistocene Australia |
| B - The largest mammal | E - Giant lizards |
| C - Myths and reality | F - Mystery the giants' disappearance |

(1)	Australia's wildlife is unique. The vast majority of the animals that live there are not found anywhere else – and things were no different 1 million years ago during the Pleistocene: the age of the super-sized mammal. Before humanity became Earth's undisputed superpower, giant beasts of all shapes and sizes dominated every continent, but the Pleistocene mammals of Australia were different. Some of them could grow to the size of small cars, or possessed teeth longer than knife blades.	<input style="width: 40px; height: 30px;" type="text"/>
(2)	None of these animals survive today – although exactly why that's the case is a mystery. Humans, with their advanced hunting techniques and use of fire to modify the landscape, may have played a central role in the megafauna's disappearance, but this idea is still a matter of heated debate.	<input style="width: 40px; height: 30px;" type="text"/>
(3)	Even if we cannot be sure that the arrival of Australian Aboriginals on the continent had catastrophic effects on its native animals, it seems that the animals had a rather spiritual effect on the humans. The Aboriginal mythological "Dreamtime" includes a cast of monstrous creatures, many of which bear a close resemblance to some of the real-life monsters that once stalked Australia's plains. Are the myths based in fact? Perhaps: after all, these creatures are far stranger than anything dreamed up by humans.	<input style="width: 40px; height: 30px;" type="text"/>
(4)	For instance, the two-tonnes weighting Diprotodon comfortably holds the title of largest marsupial ever. In size and appearance it looked superficially like a modern rhinoceros, but the Diprotodon seems to have had a social lifestyle more like that of an elephant, another mammal with which it shares anatomical similarities. What the Diprotodon most resembles, however, is exactly what it is: an enormous wombat.	<input style="width: 40px; height: 30px;" type="text"/>
(5)	Another record breaker, this time a world champion; Varanus priscus, commonly known by its antiquated genus name Megalania – was the largest terrestrial lizard the world has ever known. Megalania was a goanna lizard, a relative of today's infamous Komodo dragon, and conservative estimates have predicted that it was at least 5.5m long.	<input style="width: 40px; height: 30px;" type="text"/>

Test 14

Write on **one** of the followings. Use about **100** words.

a) Your friend has not fared well in the recent examinations. Write a letter to him/her expressing your concern. Give him/her some advice to how to score better marks and offer to help him/her to improve his/her performance. Use 100 words.

OR

b) The following pie chart shows the usage of internet of the Grade 11 students of Manipay Hindu College. Study the chart and write a description about it. Use about 100 words. The following words/phrases will help you.

most/least popular, equal, more/less popular, more than, less than

Test 15

Read the following text and answer the questions given below.

Tharshi packed a small suitcase, said goodbye to her mother and hurried out of the house to catch the bus to the station. There was no one else waiting at the bus stop, so it looked as if a bus had just left. Tharshi looked at her watch anxiously: it was already two o'clock. Her train leaves at two-thirty, and since it would take at least twenty minutes to reach the station, she did not have much time to spare, even if a bus came along at once.

Just then a taxi came slowly down the road. Tharshi knew that the fare to the station was at least two pounds, which was more than she could afford; but she quickly made up her mind that it would be well worth the extra expense in order to be sure of catching her train. So she stopped the taxi and got in. She told the driver that she had to catch a train which left at half past two. The man nodded and said that he would take a short cut to get her to the station in good time.

All went well until, just as they were coming out of a side-street into the main road that led to the station; the taxi ran into a car. There was a loud crash and Tharshi was thrown forward so violently that she hit her head on the front seat. Both drivers got out and began shouting at each other. Tharshi got out as well, to ask them to stop quarrelling, but neither of them took any notice of her at all.

Tharshi was now quite sure that she was going to miss her train, although she was not very far from the station. She was wondering what to do when a bus came into sight, going in the direction of the station. The bus stop was not far off, so Tharshi got her suitcase out of the taxi and ran towards the bus, which had stopped to let some passengers get off. The bus conductor saw her running and did not ring the bell for the bus to start until she had got on. Tharshi reached the station just in time and managed to catch her train after all. But if she had waited for the taxi driver to stop arguing, she would probably have missed it.

- 1) State whether the following statements are **True** or **False** by putting a tick (✓) in the relevant column.

	True	False
1. There was one person waiting at the bus stop.		
2. Tharshi looked at her watch anxiously.		
3. Her train leaves at two-forty.		
4. The taxi ran into a car.		

($\frac{1}{2} \times 4 = 02$ marks)

- 2) Complete the following statements.
- a) Tharshi hurried out of the house to catch to the station.
- b) The taxi fare to the station was at least (02 marks)
- 3) Read paragraph 3 and find a word which has the same meaning as the following.
- a) as far as one knows or can tell -
- b) additional to what is required for ordinary use - (02 marks)
- 4) Underline the best explanation for ‘short cut’ according to the context.
- a) secret path
- b) quick way
- c) back street (01 mark)
- 5) Write the statement that says what happened to Tharshi when the taxi ran into the car.
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- (01 mark)

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Test 16

Write on **one** of the following. Use about **200** words.

- Write an article to a local newspaper on “**Drug abuse - A social evil**”.
Explain:
 - The problems that the society faced by drug abuse.
 - The steps that can be taken to protect the society from drug abuse.
- Write an essay on ‘**The effects of the current economic condition**’.
Include the following.
 - what the current economic condition is
 - what causes to this condition
 - what the effects that the people face
- A speech you would make at the English Literary Association on the topic ‘**Discipline shapes the future of a student**’.
Include
 - what discipline is
 - its importance to the students
 - how it shapes the future of the students
- Thusy meets Sasi at a Library after G.C.E. (O/L) exams. They talk about their Advanced Level studies. Imagine what they would have shared about selecting their Advanced Level stream and complete the dialogue they had between them.

Thusy :- I hope to do Commerce for my A/L s. What is your idea?

Sasi :- Well I’m not sure. I think it’s better to wait for the results.
Why do you like commerce?

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